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## INFORMATION REPORT

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COUNTRY

East Germany

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SUBJECT

1. East German 1953 Grain Imports
2. Release of Rye from the State Reserves

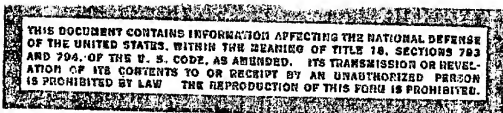
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1. The following table lists and compares East German planned grain imports for the first two quarters of 1953, anticipated imports for the first half of 1953, and actual imports as of 10 April 1953; all amounts are in thousands of metric tons:

Planned Imports According to the 1953 Economic Plan

	<u>I/53</u>	<u>II/53</u>	<u>First Half Year 1953</u>
Wheat	100	130	230
Barley	200	200	400
Oats	30	40	70
Corn (Maize)	50	40	90

Anticipated Imports, First Half of 1953, as of 31 March 1953

Wheat	305
Rye	65
Barley	200
Oats	50
Corn (Maize)	33

Actual Imports for the First Half of 1953, as of 10 April 1953

Wheat	141.3
Rye	20.1
Barley	94.1
Oats	19.3
Corn (Maize)	27.0

2. On 9 April 1953, the Presidium of the East German Council of Ministers decreed that 65,000 metric tons of rye be released from State Reserves and made available for milling. In this way it was hoped that the 1953 flour production plan could be fulfilled. The State Reserves, however, are to be replenished by an equal amount in the fourth quarter of 1953, to be taken from the new harvest.

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